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## For reſtraining the Negotiation of certain Promiſſory Notes and Inland Bills of Exchange in *Ireland*.

Note.—*The Figures in the Margin denote the Number of the Folios in the written Copy.*

1 WHEREAS the Regulations at preſent in force reſpecting the Iſſue and Negotiation of Promiſſory Notes for ſmall Sums, in *Ireland*, have not proved effectual; Preamble.

Be it therefore Enacted by the KING's Moſt Excellent MAJESTY, by and with the Advice and Conſent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this preſent Parliament aſſembled, and by the Authority of the ſame, That any Memorandum, Ticket, Token, Draft, Certificate, or Engagement, written, printed, or engraved on Paper, Card, Vellum, or Parchment, being negotiable or transferable, or which are or ſhall be given, negotiated, or transferred, with Intent to imply or to make a Promiſe or Engagement to pay Money, or Value of any Kind, in Goods or otherwiſe, under the Sum of Iriſh Currency, or on which a leſs Sum than Iriſh Currency ſhall remain undiſcharged, ſhall be deemed an Undertaking in Writing 2 within the Meaning of an Act made in the laſt Seſſion of Parliament, intituled, "An Act to permit the Iſſue and Negotiation of "certain Promiſſory Notes, under a limited Sum, by regiſtered "Bankers in *Ireland*, and to reſtrain the Iſſue and Negotiation of "certain other Notes;" and ſhall be alſo deemed an Undertaking in Writing within the Meaning of an Act, paſſed in the Forty-third

All Memorandums and Tickets negotiated for Money, or Value, under Iriſh Currency, ſhall be deemed Undertakings in Writing.

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Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, intituled, "An Act to "continue, during the Reſtriction on Payments in Caſh by the Bank "of *Ireland*, and to amend an Act made in the Parliament of "*Ireland* in the Thirty-ninth Year of the Reign of His preſent "Majeſty, intituled, "An Act to reſtrain the Negotiation of "Promiſſory Notes and Inland Bills of Exchange, under a limited "Sum;" and alſo an Act made in the Parliament of *Ireland* in the Fortieth Year of His preſent Majeſty's Reign, to continue and amend the ſaid Act.

Act 39 Geo. III. c. 48. (Ireland) relating to Notes and Undertakings under Five Guineas, to extend only to Notes under Iriſh Currency.

And whereas by the ſaid Act made in the Parliament of *Ireland* in the Thirty-ninth Year of His preſent Majeſty's Reign, it was Enacted, That all Promiſſory or other Notes or Undertakings in Writing, being negotiable or transferable for the Payment of any Sum leſs than Five Guineas (except as is therein excepted) ſhould be made payable to ſome certain Perſon or Perſons named therein, and ſhould ſpecify the Names and Places of Abode of the Perſon or Perſons reſpectively to whom, or to whoſe Order, the ſame ſhould be made payable, and ſhould bear Date before or at the Time of drawing or iſſuing thereof, and not on any Day ſubſequent thereto, and ſhall be made payable within Twenty-one Days next after the Day of the Date thereof, and ſhould not be transferable or negotiable after the Time thereby limited for Payment thereof; and that every Indorſement to be made thereon ſhould be made before the Expiration of that Time, and ſhould bear Date at and not before the Time of making thereof; and every ſuch Promiſſory or other Note or Undertaking in Writing ſhould ſpecify the Name and Place of Abode of the Perſon or Perſons to whom, or to whoſe Order, the Money ſpecified in every ſuch Note or Undertaking was to be paid; and that the ſigning of every ſuch Note or Undertaking, and alſo of every ſuch Indorſement, ſhould be atteſted by One ſubſcribing Witneſs at the leaſt, whoſe Names and Places of Abode reſpectively ſhould appear ſubſcribed to every ſuch Atteſtation; and which ſaid Notes or Undertakings in Writing ſhould be made or drawn reſpectively in Words to the Purport or Effect ſet out in the Schedule to the ſaid Act annexed; BE it Enacted, That from and after the the ſaid Clauſe ſhall extend only to ſuch Notes or Undertakings as ſhall be made, iſſued, or drawn for the Payment of any Sum leſs than Iriſh Currency, or on which any Sum leſs than Iriſh Currency ſhall remain undiſcharged; any thing in the ſaid Clauſe or in the ſaid recited Act, or any other Act or Acts, to the contrary notwithſtanding.

Perſons may draw Bills not leſs than under the Reſtrictions of ſaid Act; and regiſtered Bankers may draw ſuch Bills without any ſuch Reſtriction.

And whereas by the ſaid laſt-mentioned Act it was further Enacted, That it ſhould be lawful for any Banker or other Perſon, to make, iſſue, or draw any Inland Bill of Exchange, Bank Poſt Bill, or Draft in Writing, for any Sum not leſs than Three Guineas, ſubject to the Proviſions in the ſaid Act mentioned; that is to ſay, that every ſuch Bill of Exchange, Bank Poſt Bill, or Draft,

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Draft, for the Sum of Three Guineas, or for any Sum above
5 Three Guineas and leſs than Five Guineas, ſhould be made payable to the Perſon or Perſons by whom or for whoſe Uſe the Value of ſuch Bill of Exchange, Bank Poſt Bill, or Draft, ſhould have been paid, and to no other Perſon; and that every ſuch Bill of Exchange, Bank Poſt Bill, or Draft, ſhould in like Manner ſpecify the Names and Places of Abode of the Perſon or Perſons to whom, or to whoſe Order, the ſame ſhould be made payable, and ſhould bear Date before or at the Time of drawing or iſſuing thereof, and not on any Day ſubſequent thereto, and ſhould be made payable within Twenty-one Days next after the Day of the Date thereof; and that the ſigning of every ſuch Bill of Exchange, Bank Poſt Bill, or Draft, ſhould be atteſted by One ſubſcribing Witneſs at the leaſt, whoſe Name and Place of Abode ſhould appear to every ſuch Atteſtation reſpectively; BE it Enacted, That from and after the it ſhall be lawful for any Banker or other Perſon, to make, iſſue, or draw any Inland Bill of Exchange, Bank Poſt Bill, or Draft in Writing, for any Sum not leſs than Iriſh Currency, ſubject to the Proviſions laſt recited, if ſuch Perſon be not a regiſtered Banker; but
6 if ſuch Perſon ſhall be a regiſtered Banker, then ſuch Bill of Exchange, Bank Poſt Bill, or Draft in Writing, and the Perſon making, iſſuing, or drawing the ſame, ſhall be exempted from all and ſingular the Proviſions aforeſaid.

That Act 43 Geo. III. c. 87, prohibiting all Notes under Five Guineas, ſhall not extend to Notes for a certain Sum made under the Proviſions of this Act.

And whereas by the ſaid recited Act of the Forty-third Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, it was Provided and Enacted, That all Promiſſory or other Notes, or Undertakings in Writing, being negotiable or transferable for the Payment of any Sum or Sums of Money leſs than the Sum of Five Guineas, or on which any Sum leſs than Five Guineas ſhould remain undiſcharged, which ſhould be made or iſſued in *Ireland* at any Time from and after the firſt Day of January One thouſand Eight hundred and Four, ſhould be and the ſame were thereby declared to be abſolutely void, and of no effect; BE it Enacted, That from and after the the ſaid recited Clauſe ſhall not extend to any Bill, Note, Draft, or Undertaking in Writing, which ſhall be iſſued by any regiſtered Banker in *Ireland* for the Payment of any Sum not leſs than the Sum of Iriſh
7 Currency, under the Proviſions of this Act, nor to any Inland Bill of Exchange, Bank Poſt Bill, or Draft in Writing, which ſhall be made, iſſued, or drawn, by any Perſon not being a regiſtered Banker, for any Sum not leſs than Iriſh Currency, agreeable to the hereinbefore recited Proviſions reſpecting ſuch Bills or Drafts for a Sum not leſs than Three Guineas, contained in the ſaid recited Act of the Thirty-ninth Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty.

Act not to extend to Bank of Ireland.

Provided always, and be it Enacted, That nothing in this Act contained ſhall extend or be conſtrued to extend to the Governor and Company of the Bank of *Ireland*.

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Act may be altered.

And be it further Enacted, That this Act may be altered, amended, or repealed, by any Act to be made in this preſent Seſſion of Parliament.

Continuance of Act.

And be it further Enacted, That this Act ſhall be and continue in force ſo long as the Governor and Company of the Bank of *Ireland* are or ſhall be reſtrained from paying their Promiſſory Notes or Bills of Exchange in Caſh.

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